

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please amend the claims (~~strikethrough~~ or [[double-brackets]] indicating deletion and underline indicating insertion) as follows:

[0144] FIGS. 62-65 show additional details of the grasping clip 136. The clip 136 is used to hold the bracket 122 in position while it is being attached to the tooth 52. Preferably, the clip 136 has a finger 144 that it is received in an opening in the bracket 122 and a handle portion 142 for grasping. In addition, the bracket receiver mechanism 134 is preferably keyed for use with the handle 142, so that the clip 136 can be consistently aligned when grasping it with the bracket holder assembly 42. For example, the bracket receiver mechanism 134 may have ridges 138 that are received in grooves 140 on either side of the handle 142, or vice versa, so that the clip 136 can be flipped either side up and still aligned and centered in the bracket receiver mechanism (see FIGS. 62 and 59). Further details and description of the bracket grasping clip 136 are provided in U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/749,918_____, filed Dec. 31, 2003, entitled "Orthodontic Bracket and Method of Attaching Orthodontic Brackets to Teeth," which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. The device 10 and the bracket holder assembly 42 are intended primarily for use with clips 136 of this type, though they can be used to hold other clips or the brackets directly, if desired.

[0150] Further details and description of the brackets, attachments, and appliances are provided in U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/749,918_____, filed Dec. 31, 2003, entitled "Orthodontic Bracket and Method of Attaching Orthodontic Brackets to Teeth." The device 10 and the bracket holder assembly 42 are intended primarily for use with brackets of this type to form attachments and appliances of this type, though they can be used with other brackets to form other types of attachments and appliances.

[0171] The registering and positioning method just described can be incorporated into the indirect attachment method described in U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/749,918_____, filed Dec. 31, 2003, entitled "Orthodontic Bracket and Method of Attaching Orthodontic Brackets to Teeth." Of course, other conventional techniques for indirectly attaching orthodontic brackets to teeth can be used with the registering and positioning method described herein.